

Watauga Democrat.

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LOCALS.

—Peaches plentiful.
—Buckwheat good.
—Haul in your winter wood.
—Oh! what delightful weather.
—There are 2473 tax-payers in Watauga.
—Messrs Moore Bros. have their steam saw mill at J. P. Council's, sawing lumber.
—Dr. A. F. Houk, of Lenoir, spent Monday in town en route for Gap Creek.
—Wm. H. Hardin has been appointed Administrator of Wm. F. Church.
—Col. J. W. M. Grayson, of Ashe Co., is quite low with rheumatism.
—Mrs. M. A. Fowler, of Moorsville, N. C. is visiting at Capt. Lovill's.
—E. W. Hennessee opened school at the colored school house one mile east of town Monday.
—Rev. I. W. Thomas took his daughter Miss Lizzie to Hamilton Institute where she entered school Monday.
—W. B. Council Jr. and Capt. E. F. Lovill are representing the Boone bar at Bakersville Court.
—Miss Fannie Gwyn, of Elkin, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Finley, of Mont Camp.
—A fine mare and colt were gored to death by a "penny-royal bull," on Maj. Vannoy's farm on Stony Fork.
—The Misses Turner, of Morganton, spent several days with Prof. J. F. Spainhour last week.
—Mrs. Malinda Hardin returned home last Sunday from Shell Creek, where she has been since the death of Mr. Church.
—In the 2nd paragraph of Commissioner's report, the word "Superiors" appears, where it should be "Supervisors."
—W. L. Bryan is still ahead for dry goods, notions, cigarettes, cigars and tobacco (both smoking and chewing.) Try a pack of 'em Duke's.
—You can save your house from being burned by buying one box of non-explosive lamp powders. For sale at W. L. Bryan's. Price 25cts.
—Rev. T. C. Holsclaw, who has been attending school in Haywood Co. for some months, preached at Brushy Fork Church last Monday night.
—Prof. J. S. Hill, who was formerly principal of Boone academy is now Prof. of Languages at Holly Springs College. Butler Tenn.
—Rev. C. Durham, J. A. Speight of the Recorder and Stowell of Raleigh, and Oliver from Thomasville, stopped in town Monday night and went to the Association at Zionville Tuesday.
—Some of the weather prophets predict frost early this year. Well it felt like it yesterday morning. The katydids are hollering during the day is a good sign of early frost.
—Col. Todd went to Mid-

—Jesse Reed asked us to state that D. K. Reed and wife has taken his son Mark from school and left the county. Any information concerning the boy will be thankfully received.
—Mr. Gribble returned from Cranberry Tuesday, where he had gone to get dynamite to work at Bull Ruffin. He thinks he may strike something valuable a little lower down.
—As the Editor and Publisher are both absent this week, the many readers of the DEMOCRAT will please excuse this issue, as it is left entirely in the hands of the "devils."
—Rev. John P. King, who is now Pastor of the Lenoir Adventist Church, coming from Wilmington to that place, has been preaching some very able sermons at the Advent Church on Watauga river.
—Something new in the way of working cattle, was seen on the streets last week. There were three all in a breast, and one on one side of the tongue and two on the other. They were hitched with hames, collars and traces. The general opinion was that it was a "bully team."
—We are glad to learn of the glowing prospect for a successful year at Sutherland Seminary. Prof. Wilson has an average attendance of 65, having only taught for about 6 weeks. Every department is complete; being filled by thorough and competent teachers. We predict success for Prof. Wilson.
—A great number of our people are attending the Three Fork Association at Zionville, which began Tuesday and closing this evening. The Associations are looked forward to with a great deal of interest by our people, ample preparations are made for the accommodation of friends and guests.
—Maj. Harvy Bingham, and family, of Statesville, are visiting friends and relatives in Watauga. Maj. Bingham is a son that Watauga is truly proud of. There is but few men in North Carolina his equal in law. We heard an able lawyer say that he was a walking encyclopedia of the law. We are truly sorry that Watauga lost him.
—We call the attention of the owners of the academy at this place, to the fact that it is greatly in need of repair. The roof leaks, and is damaging the house very much; the window lights are being broken out continuously. A few dollars worth of work now, will save a great deal in one year from now. We do hope the building will be repaired, and a competent teacher employed to teach during the fall and winter months.

—The cranks are not all dead yet, there are still fool hardy men who are so anxious for fame that they will peril their lives endeavoring to obtain it. C. D. Graham a young cooper 36 years old made a barrel got into it had himself fastened up strong and tight and thrown into the river and went over the horse shoe falls of Niagra last Saturday week. He was picked up below the rapids not seriously hurt.
—North Carolina has thirty well equipped Military companies, for whose training she spends \$5,000, annually. Gov. Fowle in his inaugural address advised the Legislature to make some appropriation and the \$5000 was the outcome of his suggestion. Several of these companies, have only recently been organized and need training. No one knows how soon we might need these troops to quiet some insurrection but we hope not at all. Yet it is best in peace to prepare for war.
—The Alliance men throughout the South have been fighting the jute bagging

trust which has run up jute bagging used for cotton bales nearly double the regular price. Several plans have been devised to avoid the use of the jute, different kinds of barks have been tried while some have used to a limited extent, cotton cloth. The problem has now been solved a factory is to be built at Summerville S. C. for the manufacture of bagging out of long leaf pine straw, which no doubt will soon supersede all other kinds.
The monthly report of the condition of the growing crops is not flattering. The great amount of rain seems to be the cause comparing with last year prospects, the 31st. August corn is 3 points less, cotton 4 less, tobacco 3 less, sweet potatoes 5 less, peanuts 1 less. These statistics are gathered from all parts of North Carolina by the 1000 special correspondents of the State agricultural Department at Raleigh, which are published and sent out over the State.
The agricultural Department is doing a good work, it issues monthly, a bulletin of interesting matter for the farmers, and sends gratis to all who desire it, the next Bulletin will contain a correct list of all the thorough bred stock in North Carolina horses, cattle, sheep and swine.
There is much to discourage the farming classes and very little it seems to encourage them, the cat rillars have commenced working on the cotton near Raleigh damaging the crops on some farmers 25 percent. While North Carolina is suffering this season on the account of rain, many of the States out west have droughts and no crops are any account, while our crops fall off possible one fifth there is a total failure. Watauga we believe will make ample grain for home consumption and produce to spare nevertheless the season has been very unfavorable. Our people should remember this when they get discouraged and want to pick up stakes and leave; remember we never fail to make something when we work matters no how the seasons are.
It is estimated that the farmers Alliance controls 70,000 votes in North Carolina. This would be a strong force to oppose were they to make it a petition organization. We are going to look with much interest at outcome of the farmers Alliance, not that we are doubtful whether they can manage their business or not for we know the farmers of North Carolina are men of brains as well as sinews, but what we are watching is the way they are going to drive out of politics worthless men.
The farmers own North Carolina in the main, why not rule it? Rise up farmers.

READ THIS.

A meeting of the confederate soldiers of Watauga Co. is desired on the 21st of Sept 1889 for the purpose of appointing a Committee of organization to prepare for a general reunion to be held in Boone N. C. some time in the near future. It is important that all the old soldiers come out and be present upon that day.
E. F. Lovill

IMPORTANT.

Will W. Holsclaw has just received a fine lot of boots & shoes. He will sell you a ladies shoe at 80cts. Ladies sewed pebble \$1.25 and up, and a large lot on hand to select from. Mens shoes \$1.25 up. Mens boots \$2.75—vent calf. I have just received a nice line of hats in the latest styles 50 cts up to \$2.20 five.

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W. W. Holsclaw.

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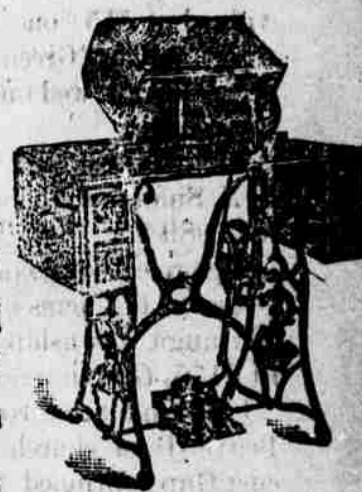
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